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Re: Enclosed Preliminary Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

U.S. Patent Application No.: 09/893,788 Attorney Docket No.: YOR920010316US1

Our Reference: YOR.291

Dear Examiner Tran:

Enclosed for filing is a Preliminary Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in response to the Office Action mailed on September 30, 2005, and the RCE filed on January 30, 2006, in the above-referenced application, which is believed to place the application in condition for immediate allowance. Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours.

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In re Application of

Marcus NOVAES

Serial No.: 09/893,788 Art Unit: 2176

Filed: June 29, 2001 Examiner: Tran, Quoc A.

For: GRAPHICAL WEB BROWSING INTERFACE FOR SPATIAL DATA NAVIGATION AND METHOD OF NAVIGATING DATA BLOCKS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2005, and further to the Advisory Action mailed December 14, 2005, and further to the Request for Continued Examination filed on January 30, 2006, please amend the above-identified application prior to as follows prior to issuing a first Office Action after RCE.

#### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.